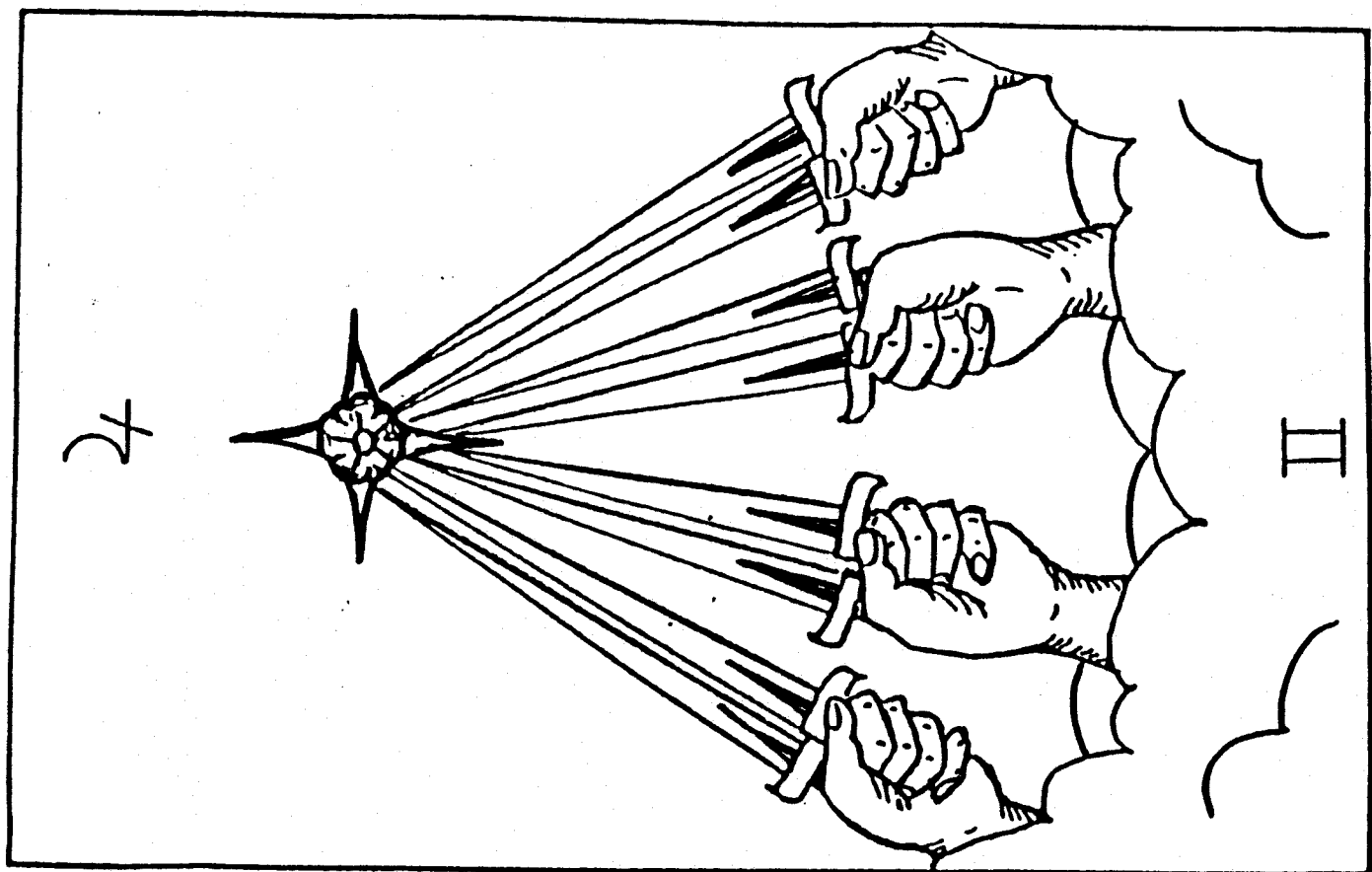


LESSON 79

EIGHT OF SWORDS



## LESSON 79

## 8 OF SWORDS

"Lord of Shortened Force"

0 to 10 degrees Gemini

4 in II

Four white radiant angelic hands issuing from the clouds, each holding two swords, points upwards: all points touch near the top of the cards. Hands issue, two at each bottom of the card. The pose of the other sword symbols is re-established in the centre.

The concept of this card shows too much force applied in too small an area, with the effect that the desired result or object will be reached but only just. There is not sufficient leverage to carry it through. As "Lord of Shortened Force" the 8 of Swords depicts a barrier or bonds which restrict movement, and which can also imprison. The rose held at a point by the eight swords depicts two things: that either something is being held out of reach or something or someone is being prevented from making any movement in a particular direction.

Alchemically this is stage where a particular state must be held. It represents a constant temperature and pressure so that all that is, remains where it is, until it matures enough to separate. In other terms of reference it can be likened to the myth of Hercules in "Gathering the Golden Apples of the

Hesperides" where Hercules was bound to an altar for the span of a year: 'Suddenly one day when struggling to be free, and slowly seeing Busiris for what he was, words spoken long ago by Nereus came to his mind: "Truth lies within yourself. There is a higher power and strength and wisdom in yourself. Turn inwards and there evoke a strength which is the power which is the heritage of all the sons of men who are the sons of God." Silent he lay a prisoner on the altar, bound to its corners four for one whole year. Then with the strength which is the strength of all the sons of God he broke his bonds, seized the false teacher (who had seemed so wise) and bound him to the altar in his place. He spoke no word but left him there to learn.' (Labours of Hercules by Alice Bailey).

And so having broken free he acknowledged contact with the soul, the occult knowledge of reality and stepped into the waking consciousness. This is the key to the imprisonment and restriction that the 8 of Swords represents.

The swords in this card, encompass 80 degrees of a circle which is a Bi-Novile - 9 Noviles make up a complete circle, or 4 Bi-Noviles and one Novile (Nonagon). The Bi-Novile leads to personal rebirth (initiation), giving an identification of the self within the harmony of the universal whole, thus we have here a form of fulfillment which is an end to being in one realm, and a beginning into a higher realm of being. To complete a circle we have 36 decans, or 9 Noviles! The 80 degrees of the swords representeth a part reflecting the harmonics of the whole.

The 8 of Swords is coloured in the Prince Scale. The swords are the colours of the planets, very Dark Deep Blue, and the background is the colour of the sign, Cinnamon Brown. The star emanating from the rose is the complementary colour to the background, China Blue. The clouds, rose, and hands are coloured Brilliant White alluding to the ever present influence of Kether.

The presence of the Deep Blue and the China Blue gives a vibration which summons the necessity for one to gather ones self inwardly, and combined with the Cinnamon Brown over the surface of the background, the vibration says "If I want to, I shall perceive". Something of a foreign nature arises with this colour showing that something foreign has entered a situation. The deep Blue rays (swords) towards the central rose shows that the soul inprints a part of the outer world into itself, yet from the rose pours the star in the shape of a cross showing that from the soul there is a stirring. However the Cinnamon Brown also means craftiness and low cunning, and shows the manifesting of materiality, earthiness and restriction. Finally the fire, water and air have formed to produce earth in its unstable muddy appearance. The Deep Blue gives forth lower religious emotion, which is inclined to fear, but from the brilliant white rose of purity shines the China Blue of devotion and nobility giving an answer to the confinement of the Cinnamon Brown.

The astrological planet and sign associated to the 8 of Swords is Jupiter in Gemini. Jupiter in Gemini is an extremely

versatile and expansive combination, yet it brings an emphasis on the lower mind, the concrete and objective, and alludes to superficiality as a result of widely spread interests and constant change. However Jupiter in Gemini gives diversity and changeability and it often indicates quickness of the mind and hands, travel and adventure. There is inquisitiveness into the unexplained and a love of knowledge and advancement of intellectual development, but most of the time this is unsupported by practical experience. Thus an armchair scholar is produced. Change is important to the Jupiter in Gemini character, who suffers when in confinement. Well aspected it is fortunate in relationships but badly aspected there is separation. This character possesses tact, commonsense, refinement, and is trustworthy in times of difficulty. The mind of the Jupiter in Gemini person is constantly restless and wanders into many fields of thought. Such agility gives success in areas of education and speculation.

Hod of Vau (narrow, restricted, petty, a prison)

#### DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

The dreamer and planner who hopes in later years to be free to devote all into making ones dreams and plans a reality. This

is a person who believes oneself bound to a particular pattern of life, with movements restricted to commitment and responsibility. Such a person is not weak but has a particularly strong will - hence such self inflicted discipline. Ones Will can then be directed in freeing oneself from mental confines. Freedom and imprisonment are but states of mind. However, the 8 of Swords in this position depicts an optimistic future where opportunities will be made available to you, but effort must be made to take hold of these opportunities if you do not want them to slip away. "Self-restrictive"

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs directly relating to the self:

Your ideas and plans must be kept within achievable limits. You may find that you do not achieve all you say or plan. This gives a feeling of restriction and limitation of personal resources, thereby creating a false impression of restriction. You have satisfactory personal resources - they only need to be realised, however under the above matters there is a great deal of hard work and little realised for ones efforts. You may have major financial difficulties and adverse circumstances, with your own power of control interfered with. If you confine your plans to what is realistically achievable you will meet with good fortune even when other concerns or people run interference.

"Shortened Force".

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships; brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

Although your understanding of a great many subjects is comprehensive you have difficulty choosing your career as your mind creates many obstacles in all directions - you don't know which way to move. You may involve yourself in study, writing and reading, through intellectual involvement with co-workers, neighbours, friends and family. Such involvement governs a great deal of ones time. A lot of energy is wasted on trivial details under the above matters and a relative will depart to other areas. Disconnected communications and breakdowns in transportation arise when the 8 of Swords appears here. Care must be taken in the above matters to avoid misunderstandings and making wrong decisions. "Trivialities".

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

This shows that in matters of the spiritual, in the occult and any project connected with this individual, is short lived. A protected and confined home life is also shown here, depicting the martyr. Emotional obligations to a parent cause restriction



in ones life and loss of opportunity. In your private life you will be constantly encountering unexpected interference. The 8 of Swords shows a time where one feels totally drowned from all freedom of movement and thought; but don't despair, such oppressive feelings are necessary at times to make you free yourself and take your life into your own hands. This is a position of self inflicted isolation. "Isolation".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

The 8 of swords positioned here shows that one must discipline ones mind to enable growth of talent. It is your indulgences that interfere with your growth. Children become a bondage: give them a bit of freedom and you too can have freedom. It shows here a person who does not have freedom of expression, whose every move is checked which causes great anguish and despair. There are problems in sexual relations and this card may represent an uncouth female and scandal, all due to or about a woman. The life of the querent is spent on superficial levels. "Anguish".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment: employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of skills; psychology:

Work relationships are narrow and restricted and are involved in a lot of pettiness. Under the heaviness of your burdens you'll find a chance to change your conditions. Seize this chance and all will be well. Employment provides little scope for personal creative input as you must work within the confines provided. There will be obstacles in all directions. If you doubt the value of your ideas, others will too, and not allow you to promote them. Don't waste time on trying to promote what can't be done - or is not allowed to be done, move on to something else immediately. Providing you take care of yourself you will enjoy good health, but watch your diet. Sickness is probable under restricted conditions and will have a psychologically genetic root. "External Restriction".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what is lacking; the workings of karma:

An enemy triumphs over you but only partly. In the past there has been treachery which leaves you to 'heal your wounds'. In relationships in the social environment there is criticism and slander, take care around youths. Under the above matters you will have been encountering conflict, but this is drawing to an end and better times are to come. This card shows the necessity to call on the agility of your intellect to surpass conflicts as your hands and feet are bound (figuratively speaking), preventing any direct physical action. The 8 of Swords represents a two way

situation so be aware of the consequences on anything you say or decide. "Forebearance".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

Capture and enticement are pertained here. It takes a clever mind to escape conviction along with communication with the right sources. The 8 of Swords shows scientific interest in mystical beliefs about life after death. Litigation difficulties arise in financial affairs and assets are frozen due to legal disputes, settling of estates, wills etc. This card represents the stimulation of psychic faculties and the necessity to release the material bonds which link the astral and physical bodies. You may receive the blame for something you have not done, someone may betray you. The keyword is "Prosecution".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

In this position the 8 of Swords represents restlessness and the desire to travel, but your will is thwarted by constant interference. Travel will not be in the physical and only with great difficulty in the astral. You may receive bad news and be

in a position where you are powerless to act. Writings and media will be censured and unforeseen problems arise in involvements with higher study, philosophy etc. Breakdowns in public communication occur and the collective mind oppresses. Generally, under the above matters this card is unfortunate in influence.

"Thwarted".

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

What was bound will be undone, what was interference will be dispersed, and this will be done by calm, unobjective powers of the intellect. This card says the mind is a powerful weapon, use it! Your wealth of ideas need only be promoted, so invest your ideas into your profession, your public communication and personal relationships and they will pay off in the long run. One's ambition is to receive recognition and prestige - badly aspected this card shows abuse of such power. A parent's ideas and beliefs may imprison you in a network of psychological distortions - beware of this and work to change it. "Escape".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; one's attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfillment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

There are constant unexpected interferences in the above

matters, however with perseverance and attention to detail this can be overcome. In group and organisational matters too much force is applied to a single subject until the force neutralizes itself. Here we have a situation where one cannot commit totally to friends or to anything else. The individual is completely involved in his own set of circumstances and cannot give his time and energies to other fields. It warns of a possible minor legal offence which could cause some embarrassment. In matters of income it shows an increase but only for a short period. This is an individual who has taken so much up of his time in his mental and spiritual pursuits that he can give no time to his family, or friends. "Unforthcoming".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

In this position the 8 of swords shows imprisonment in an institution, however this imprisonment is not always against ones will. This is a situation where one has personally committed oneself to such a way of life, for example a spiritual retreat, health farm, etc., for the betterment of ones health and growth. In these circumstances one undergoes trial and initiation. Your power of movement has been confined to limited areas for necessary development. You may experience solitary confinement. Nevertheless all this is temporary as this card shows self-invoked

change in circumstances. Diseases shown by this card are pleurisy, blood and lung disorders, liver problems and debilitating ailments. "Volition".

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8 of Swords: "Lord of Shortened Force"

(First Stage Separation)

In 1st position:	"Self Restrictive"
In 2nd position:	"Shortened Force"
In 3rd position:	"Trivialities"
In 4th position:	"Isolation"
In 5th position:	"Anguish"
In 6th position:	"External restriction"
In 7th position:	"Forebearance"
In 8th position:	"Prosecution"
In 9th position:	"Thwarted"
In 10th position:	"Escape"
In 11th position:	"Unforthcoming"
In 12th position:	"Volition"

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#### MEDITATION ON THE EIGHT OF SWORDS:

Let the Student first study the overall picture of the card, then study each detail. Study the colours.

Now let the Student look at the card and feel its vibrations.

Write down your overall impression.

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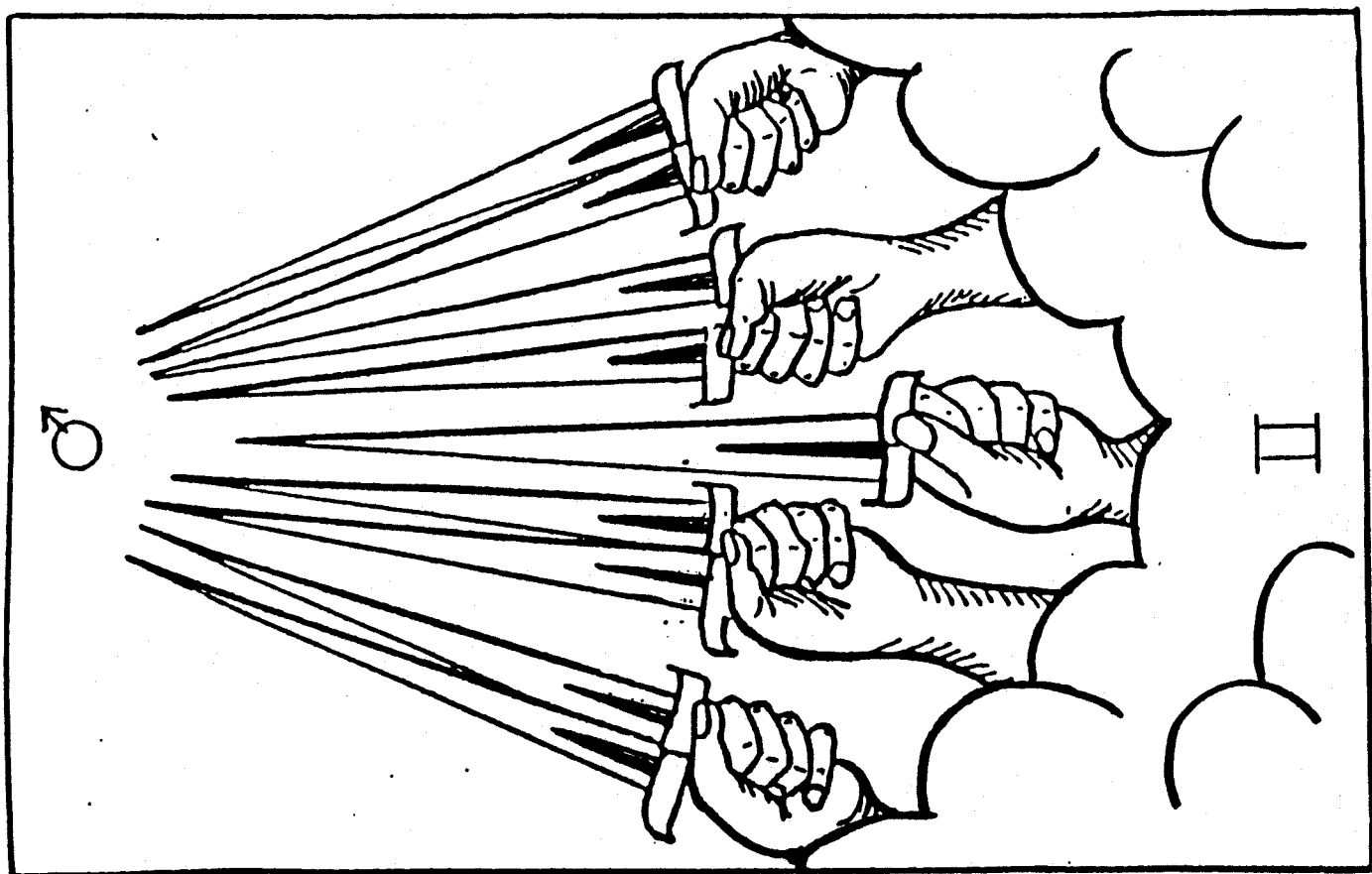
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LESSON 80

NINE OF SWORDS





## LESSON 80

## 9 OF SWORDS

"Lord of Despair &amp; Cruelty"

10 - 20 Degrees Gemini

♂ in II

Four hands, as in the preceding figure, holding 8 swords nearly upright, but with the points falling away from each other, a fifth hand holds a ninth sword upright in the centre, as if it had struck them asunder and no rose at all is shown, as if it was not merely cut asunder but utterly destroyed.

This card shows a powerful force that does not have any direction to be channelled to (the absent rose), and this results in this force going in all directions. This much force applied without direction shows no restraint and becomes very disruptive.

The 9 of Swords alludes to a state of unconsciousness, shown also by the main sword shattering the others apart from the hidden depths beneath, and without the presence of the rose this card shows a material nature unilluminated by Spirit. With the absence of the higher mind you find an undisciplined warring blind energy, with no reason or motive which reacts to stimulæ in no defined direction; it is disruptive and repetitive, ruled only by the lower conscious and the law of survival. It represents the most basic root source of intellectuality governed by

instinct, hence its name "Lord of Despair and Cruelty".

Alchemically this card represents an extremely dry phase and is the "Fire of the Stone". It is a part of the reddening; - after the Sublimation of the Spirit (the eagles) the red lion is discovered terrestrial, and must drink its own blood. This is analogous to the Last Supper where Christ ate his own flesh and drank his own blood, which means that one must return to ones unconscious beginnings and thereby recognise and accept the other self. The single sword scattering the other 8 swords shows the necessary scattering of the vaporous colours to make room for the final and single colour of red, but first there is a yellowing, and the 9 of Swords represents this stage for as yet the colours have not fully merged. By the aid of the Vulcan you shall see what turns the colour of blood. The clouds have sunken, alluding to the fixing of matter and the drying out of the celestial dew.

The 9 of Swords are coloured in the Prince Scale. The swords are the colour of the planet, Madder Red. The background is the colour of the Sign, Cinnamon Brown. The hands and clouds are coloured Brilliant White. Shade the background of Cinnamon Brown from translucent to normal pigmentation giving the image of vapour.

Madder Red represents greed and cruelty and Cinnamon Brown is materialism and avarice. These combined colours show the dream state of the lower conscious. All movement is instigated on an unconscious level and easily influenced by whatever happens at

the moment. They allude to the seed state of matter.

The planet and sign associated to the 9 of Swords is Mars in Gemini. The expression of energy is on the mental plane with Mars in Gemini manifesting in nervous energy and changeability. It shows a smoothness and fluency in speech with a tendency to be argumentative and satirical at times. It shows skill in forms of communication as well as an assertiveness in writing - any form of journalism. Negatively aspected, one may encounter speech impediment, restlessness, an uncontrolled roving mind, wandering thoughts and lack of concentration. Energies in this instance will be scattered into many areas of activity and there may be trouble in areas of travel and communication. Mars in Gemini can border on anything from insanity to sheer genius - a mind that darts and flashes from one thought or impression to the other - a confused mind or one that is incredibly quick.

Yesod of Vau (illness, suffering, malice, suffering, want, loss, misery, burden, oppression, labour, subtlety and craft, dishonesty).

#### DIVINATION

ON MATTERS OF the Physical Body; Selfhood; Self Projection; new ideas; new beginnings; reactions to outside stimuli; the life force; first encounters:

The self invoked victim is depicted in this position by the

9 of Swords. This person is not necessarily a victim but thinks he/she is one and constantly goes around brooding about how unjustly he/she is treated, when in retrospect it is a misconception. The individual represented here is a highly strung individual who is extremely impatient with him/herself and those around. There is pride in one's intellectual abilities and any criticism sends one into brooding or sarcastic retort. Plans are interrupted by current interests and too many trivialities are magnified into large issues. This card advises that you should reflect on past mistakes and learn from them. In short one should use their mental energies effectively by getting what one wants out of life rather brooding about what people will say about you, you may then find greater achievement. "Retrospect".

ON MATTERS OF possessions and personal attitude towards such; personal estate and resources both physical and material; principles and feelings; management and projection; commerce, personal, commercial, governmental and national financial affairs directly relating to the self:

A form of financial chaos occurs in this position with the 9 of Swords. Misconceptions and arguments arise in business dealings and too much force is used to get results. A person tends to ruin matters before they can get underway through excessive verbosity. Here one does not know when to stop talking (to one's disadvantage). You may also have to face a loss due to over-clever manipulation of others. When you receive the 9 of Swords in this position the best route you could take is calculated

inaction. Under the above matters you will incur delay, deception or disappointment. Do not be too impatient when demands are not met. "Impatience"

ON MATTERS OF short journeys; communications; relationships; brothers, sisters, neighbours; humour; identity; early education; books; correspondence; enlarging ones field of activity:

Debate and frustration is depicted by the 9 of Swords in this position. There is a tendency to inflict mental cruelty onto others if matters do not go your way or a member of your family or neighbour repeatedly inflicts mental cruelty on you. This card also shows grief over the loss of someone or something close but not necessarily a loss through death. You, or the subject of your query, will go through a phase of feeling quite desolate, unable to see any further than ones sorrow or self pity. In matters of education and communication the 9 of Swords is unfortunate. There will be misunderstandings and a scattering of energy with possible abandonment. "Cruelty".

ON MATTERS OF the end of one stage and the commencement of another; the home and private life; buildings; land; parents; security; emotions; significant shifts in lifes directions; concerning the soul; the occult in its practical terms; divination:

In this position the 9 of Swords shows an environmental situation where very little is said between parties, if anything at all. People behave childishly and carry on disputes for days.

Where there is no trouble or discontent, they or you will invent it just to keep discord in the atmosphere. You will leave home, if you have not already, or, if you are parent, a member of the family or a relation will depart from the home or country. A lesson must be learnt the hard way. There may be violence or cruelty in the home. However, strength and new life can be obtained from suffering. This position also depicts the martyr and also cautions against danger in the occult field due to mental instability. "Discord".

ON MATTERS OF love given; creativity of selfhood; the creative will; children; entertainment; recreation; speculation; sports; the arts; gambling; fulfilling potentiality:

Under the above matters the 9 of Swords shows a miscarriage or abortion and the great mental and biological agony that follows. In the realm of entertainment it shows the cesspits of the city - the gambling casinos, bars and pornography establishments. There is a degeneration of values and morals. Women should beware of sexual molestation. There is aggressiveness in creative expression and violence is enjoyed. Children turn out to be hard to control. This position is however favourable for sporting activities of a mental and physical nature as adversaries are pushed aside. "Violence".

ON MATTERS OF sickness (generally due to work problems); employment; employees; relationships within the work environment; conflicts; service; ones sense of service; the acquiring of

skills; psychology:

Here the 9 of Swords shows difficulty in putting ideas together then pushing them forth. There is a constant striving to improve ones skills but this frequently leads to the confusion between what was the thought and what was the act. When this card is received here it advises that someone needs psychological help. Behaviour patterns need to be checked and structuralised. From a medical viewpoint one is likely to be in a lot of pain (if you have health problems) otherwise the 9 of Swords shows impending sickness, and sickness of a mental nature. There will be disruptions in the working environment. Your work situation may cause ailments associated with the shoulders, arms and upper back (Repetitive Strain Injury or neuralgia for example). "Pain".

ON MATTERS OF marriage and divorce; contracts; the other party; competitors, adversaries, and known enemies; partnerships; public relationships; social interaction; the law of compensation; what is lacking; the workings of karma:

Lack of self control looses you support and dramatisation of ideas draws varied reactions in people. The 9 of Swords here shows a confused and rushed expression of thoughts and feelings in relationships which causes breakups and arguments. The person most felt for or emulated, is the one most verbally battered and is used as a scape goat for ones own shortfalls. Such aggressive behaviour breeds contempt, causes stress in relationships, respect is lost and marriage partners proceed to lawsuits and



divorce. The only way to deal with a person having these behaviour patterns is passive resistance. This card also shows karmic demands and realisations pressing to be faced, with ones ego fighting to resist and creating all forms of diversion. "Transference".

ON MATTERS OF death and rebirth; accidents; effects of others; crime and retribution; legacies; wills; others estates and finances; joint resources; moods; sex; spiritualism; rejuvenation; mysticism; transformation; psychotherapy:

The 9 of Swords here shows dangers of spiritualism and mystic pursuits advising the querent against activities in these areas. Problems are usually due to auric or chakra blockages or holes that are open to manipulation by seen and unseen forces. In the handling of others affairs there is a great deal of boasting about what one can do, but the test is in the action. This card warns that such a person, full of self acclaimed ability, is about to cross your path and will not come to the party when action is required. In sexual matters there is a preoccupation with expression of ones desires. The 9 of Swords shows that one is undergoing psychotherapy or counselling and if not it advises that this is the course to take. "Fabrication".

ON MATTERS OF religion; metaphysics; philosophy; higher study and education; legal systems; morals; institutions of learning; long distance travel; exploration; public communications; the collective mind:

Failed exams through lack of application and concentration. This card shows someone who contradicts all existing literary formats, all methods of organisation and teaching. This is one who does not have a better idea to put forward, they only wish to break down all forms of tradition and established concepts. His mind is in a state of chaos, yet this is not really chaos itself but the chaos of the mental faculties, uncontrolled inflation of the ego. It represents those who desire to be God and those who even believe themselves to be God. Travel takes place only in the form of permanent departures. Social and educational institutions are scorned. "Contradictions".

ON MATTERS OF public honour; status; ambitions and goals reached; achievements; profession; the other parent; causes for disgrace; recognition; identity:

In this position the 9 of Swords depicts a strong driving ambition to gain recognition which causes problems to all that cross ones path. Ones accomplishments are great but these cause envious reactions in others and you become the target of malice. A lot of mental energy is put into promotion of career plans, that manifests in great intensity and of which many people cannot handle, therefore one is likely to see a great many fall by the wayside. On whatever path you choose you will have to struggle for minor success; nevertheless ones desire to travel is insatiable. On the other side of the coin this card shows a personal overemphasis of ones importance when your achievements

may be no more than the next person. "Intensity".

ON MATTERS OF friends; income; social alliances; legislation; one's attitude; group activities; government, counsellors; love received; spiritual and intellectual aspirations; ideals; fulfilment; what you yield and how you benefit others:

You would be wise to distrust friends, groups or organisations when the 9 of Swords appears in this position. Within groups or parliamentary situations, suspicion, fear and doubt arise; false information is given, plans and legislation miscarriage and deception occurs. It represents a person who causes disruption and mistrust in groups by telling tales to each person about the other, a classic case of running with the hares and hunting with the hounds. This card also shows debates, heated arguments and criticism. You may find yourself alone, as an outcast either by the doing of others or your own doing, and in this there is grief. "Trouble maker".

ON MATTERS OF responsibility and contribution to others; humanistic concerns; karmic debts; unresolved problems; hidden resources; the unconscious; sorrow; health afflictions; secret enemies; hospitals; secret societies; self undoing; total identification:

Illness and suffering are shown here by the 9 of Swords: do not despair, for new life and new strength rises out of suffering. You will not receive help or comfort, so it is time to come

to the realisation that you must take the responsibility of your life into your own hands. Your physical and mental health depends entirely on you. The medical problems represented by this card are: Cuts, fractures, wounds to arms, hands and collarbones, disorder in the nervous system, bronchial complaints, inflammations of lungs, pneumonia, neuralgia and neuritis. This card represents persecution from the least expected, hidden enemies arise from those closest to you. However, the greatest hidden enemy is yourself, and not being aware of this will be your own self undoing. "Self-inflicting".

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2 of Swords: "Lord of Despair and Cruelty "

(2nd Stage Separation)

In 1st position:	"Retrospect"
In 2nd position:	"Impatience"
In 3rd position:	"Cruelty"
In 4th position:	"Discord"
In 5th position:	"Volence"
In 6th position:	"Pain"
In 7th position:	"Transference"
In 8th position:	"Fabrication"
In 9th position:	"Contradiction"
In 10th position:	"Intensity"
In 11th position:	"Troublemaker"
In 12th position:	"Self-inflicting"

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